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 AND GENETIC SEQUENCES ENCODING THE SAME

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the action mailed September 27, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

Cancel claims 1 and 15.

Amend claims 2, 3, 6-8, 11, 12, 16, 17, 19-22, 25-27, 31, 34, 37, 40, 48-49 and 59-60 as follows.

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 2. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding a protein that comprises the amino acid sequence substantially as set forth in SEQ ID NO:2 or a derivative, homolog or mimetic thereof or having at least about 45% or greater similarity to SEQ ID NO:2 or a derivative, homolog, analog, chemical equivalent or mimetic of said nucleic acid molecule.

3. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule according to claim 2 comprising a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in SEQ ID NO:1 or a derivative, homolog or

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